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In re patent application of: ) Attorney Docket No.: E-621  
BERSON ET AL. ) Group Art Unit: 2767  
Serial No.: 08/886,516 ) Examiner: T. JACK  
Filed: 7/1/97 ) Date: April 23, 1999  
Title: METHOD OF PREVENTING COUNTERFEITING OF ARTICLES OF  
MANUFACTURE

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 12/24/98, please amend the above identified application as follows:

**In the specification:**

At page 1, line 23, please ~~delete~~ the first and second occurrences of ";".

At page 1, line 23, before "to" ~~insert~~ - - issued - -.

At page 1 line 23 please ~~delete~~ ":".

At page 1, line 24 please ~~delete~~ "issued:" and replace with - - on - -.

At page 1, line 27 please ~~delete~~ ":".

At page 1, line 27 after "issued" ~~insert~~ - - on - -.

At page 1, line 28, please ~~delete~~ ";".

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At page 2, line 13, please ~~capitalize~~ "patent application".



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Total Claims	10	-	20	=	0	X	\$18.00	=	0.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	=	0	X	\$78.00	=	0.00
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